

King County DNRP Water Quality Index

STATION **A438** WATER YEAR **2018**

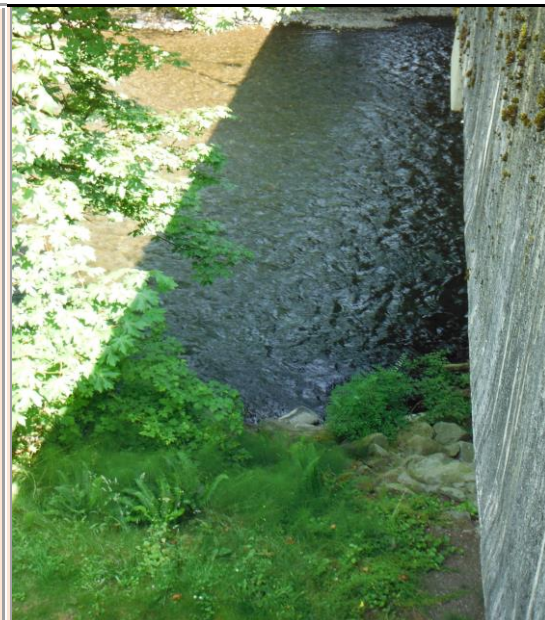
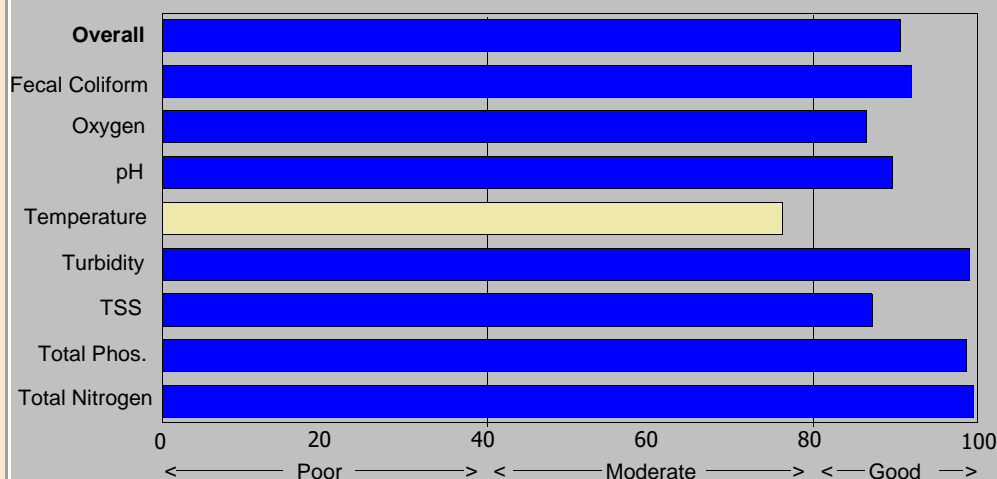
GAUGE # 31ea Cedar River at Jones Road

Overall Index 91

Sampling began at station A438, the upstream site on the Cedar River located at the bridge on East Jones Road at 196th Ave SE, in 1972. Sampling was discontinued in 2009 when budget cutbacks reduced the breadth of King County's water quality monitoring program. Sampling resumed in 2014. The Upper Cedar River encompasses roughly 79,951 acres and runs 25 miles from Meadow Mountain near Cascade Crest to the Landsburg Diversion Dam. The City of Seattle owns most of this upper basin - upstream of where the City diverts the drinking water supply from the Landsburg Dam. The Lower Cedar River drains 42,240 acres and runs approximately 21.7 miles from below the Landsburg Dam to Lake Washington. The Cedar River is on the Washington Department of Ecology's 303(d) list, Category 5, for violation of temperature, dissolved oxygen, and pH standards.

Annual Water Quality Index Scores

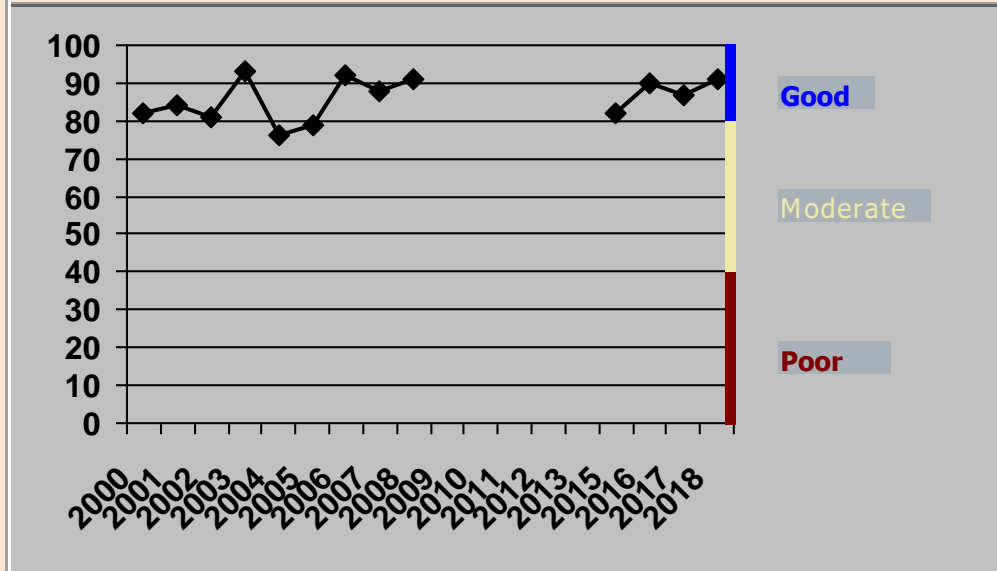
Water quality was GOOD based on data collected 10/1/2017 to 9/30/2018.



Monthly Scores For Water Year 2018

Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
96	97	100	99	99	98	98	95	95	90	88	93

WQI Score Comparison By Water Year



About The Water Quality Index:

The Water Quality Index (WQI) score is a unit-less number ranging from 10 to 100: the higher the number, the higher the water quality. Scores are calculated from data collected during the monthly routine sampling. For temperature, pH, fecal coliform bacteria, turbidity, and dissolved oxygen, the index expresses results relative to levels required to maintain beneficial uses according to criteria in Washington's Water Quality Standards, WAC 173-201A. For nutrient and sediment measures where there are no standard, results are expressed relative to guidelines for this eco-region. Results from the eight parameters are aggregated over time to produce a single score for each sample station. In general, stations scoring 80 and above did not fail water quality standards or guidelines and are of "low concern", scores 40 to 80 indicate "moderate concern", and water quality at stations with scores below 40 are of "high concern". For more information about the WQI please visit <https://green2.kingcounty.gov/streamsdata/WQI.aspx>

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